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FM AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR

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INFO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

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SUBJECT: KOREA ISSUE IN 28TH UNGAAND NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE

REF: STATE 162623

1. SUMMARY: ROK COMMUNICATIONS MIN VISITED KUALA LUMPUR
AUG 20-22 TO SOLICIT GOM SUPPORT FOR "TWO KOREAS"
INITIATIVE IN UNGA. GOM REPORTEDLY TOLD SPECIAL
EMISSARY THAT IT COULD NOT TAKE SIDES IN ISSUE
INVOLVING TWO KOREAN STATES, GOM SUPPORT OF ROK
INITIATIVE NOT PRACTICABLE IN LIGHT RECENT
ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS WITH DPRK, BUT THAT GOM
WOULD AGREE TO ANY SOLUTION OF UN REPRESENTATION
PROBLEM AGREED UPON BY KOREANS THEMSELVES. END SUMMARY.

2. PRESS AUG 22 REPORTED VISIT HERE OF ROK COMMUNICATIONS
MINISTER SHIN SANG-CHOL AND CALL BY HIM AND
ROK AMBASSADOR ON GOM COMMOMIN SARDON. ROK EMBASSY AND
OUTSIDE SOURCES REPORT, HOWEVER, THAT THEY ALSO MET
WITH PM RAZAK AND MFA SEC GEN ZAITON AUG 21 TO
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DELIVER MESSAGE FROM PRES PARK TO RAZAK RE NEW ROK

FOREIGN POLICY INITIATIVES. SHIN ASKED RAZAK FOR MALAYSIAN SUPPORT FOR SEATING BOTH KOREAS IN UNITED NATIONS, AND TO RSGIST ATTEMPTS TO PASS RESOLUTION AT ALGIERS NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE REGARDING PRESENCE UN FORCES IN KOREA AND EFFORTS TO INCLUDE OBSERVERS OR REPRESENTATIVES FROM PYONGYANG IN NAC. SHIN REPORTEDLY RECEIVED NOTHING BUT POLITE SYMPATHY FROM RAZAK WHO INDICATED GOM DOES NOT WANT TO INVOLVE ITSELF IN CLASH BETWEEN ROK AND DPRK SO SOON AFTER RECOGNIZING PYONGYANG. WITH REGARD TO ALGIERS, RAZAK AGREED THAT DPRK HARDLY QUALIFIES AS NON-ALIGNED COUNTRY BUT CLAIMED THAT BECAUSE OF NAC CONSENSUS RULE GOM MIGHT BE POWERLESS TO PREVENT RESOLUTION CALLING FOR SOLUTION OF UNCURK/UNC OR SEATING DPRK OBSERVERS. PM SUGGESTED, APPARENTLY IN ALL SERIOUSNESS, THAT ROK ALSO SEND DELEGATION TO ALGIERS SO THAT GOM COULD CALL FOR SEATING OF BOTH KOREAS WHICH SHIN DECLINED ON GROUNDS ROK NOT NON-ALIGNED EITHER,
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3. COMMENT: ROK EMBASSY DOES NOT BELIEVE MALAYSIANS CAN BE COUNTED ON TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THESE QUESTIONS IN ALGIERS OR IN NEW YORK. AMBASSADOR LYDMAN HAS APPOINTMENT SEE PM AUG 23 AND WILL MAKE POINTS RECOMMENDED BY DEPARTMENT BUT WE ARE NOT SANGUINE THAT THIS WILL HAVE MUCH EFFECT ON MALAYSIAN DESIRE TO AVOID BEING CAUGHT UP IN THESE DIFFICULT ISSUES. (FYI, EMB UNDERSTANDS DPRK AMBASSADOR JAKARTA SEEKING EQUAL TIME BUT GOM STALLING AS IT FINDS KOREANS OF BOTH PERSUASIONS A BIT OVERPOWERING.)
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